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SUBJECT: WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT OF 1998

The President signed the Workforce Investment Act (Public Law [P.L.] 105-220) into law on August 7, 1998. This act consolidates and coordinates a number of employment, training, literacy, and vocational rehabilitation programs, replacing them with streamlined and more flexible components of workforce development systems. States must implement the new law by July 1, 2000. The Department of Labor (DOL) must issue interim final regulations within 180 days and final regulations by December 31, 1999.

The Workforce Development Branch has assembled several workgroups to conduct preliminary studies of relevant policy issues related to the new legislation. These preliminary studies will ultimately lead to more detailed policy development with input necessary from the entire workforce development community.

The P.L. 105-200 may be found on the DOL's Employment and Training web page at: <http://www.doleta.gov/>.

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